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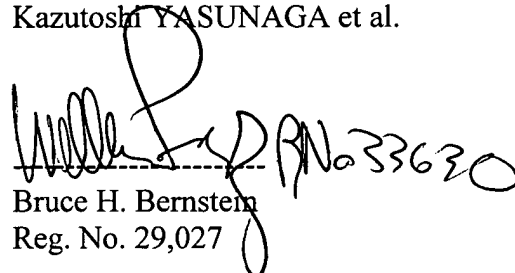
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Sir:

Further to the Second Status Request filed on January 20, 2004, Applicants respectfully request notification as to the status and a date as to when an Office Action will be issued in the above-identified patent application. Applicants note that this application was filed on April 20, 2001, and the PAIR system indicates the Group Art Unit is currently examining applications filed in May 2002 (e.g., thirteen (13) months past the filing date of the present application).

Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

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